

Senate Resolution 27 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 27

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1 A Resolution recognizing and congratulating the
2 Kirkwood Community College basketball team on
3 winning the 2019 National Junior College Athletic
4 Association Division II national basketball
5 tournament.

6 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2019, the Kirkwood Community
7 College Eagles (Cedar Rapids, Iowa) defeated the
8 Johnson County Community College Cavaliers (Overland
9 Park, Kansas) in the championship game of the National
10 Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division II
11 national basketball tournament; and

12 WHEREAS, Kirkwood entered the NJCAA Division
13 II national basketball tournament as the number 1
14 seed; and

15 WHEREAS, Kirkwood's championship victory was led by
16 Doug Wilson, who scored a game-high 30 points along
17 with 15 rebounds, 4 assists, and 5 blocked shots; and

18 WHEREAS, Wilson was designated the Most Valuable
19 Player of the 2019 NJCAA Division II national
20 basketball tournament; the 2019 Spalding NJCAA National
21 Player of the Year; the 2019 NJCAA Region XI Player
22 of the Year; the 2019 NJCAA Region XI Tournament
23 Most Valuable Player; and was named to the 2019 NJCAA
24 Division II All-American Team, the 2019 NJCAA Division
25 II National Tournament All-Tournament Team, the 2019
26 Region XI All-Tournament Team, and the 2019 All-Region
27 First Team; and

1 WHEREAS, along with Wilson, Kirkwood's Allante
2 Pickens and Devonte Thedford were also named to
3 the 2019 NJCAA Division II National Tournament
4 All-Tournament Team; and

5 WHEREAS, Pickens was named to the 2019 All-Region
6 First Team; Kirkwood's Connor Kasperbauer and Thedford
7 were named to the 2019 All-Region team as honorable
8 mentions; and Kirkwood's Luke Appel was named to the
9 2019 All-Region Second Team; and

10 WHEREAS, Kirkwood is currently coached by Bryan
11 Petersen who, in his sixth season, has compiled a
12 157-38 career record and a perfect 8-0 record in his
13 two appearances at the NJCAA Division II national
14 basketball tournament, and has been named the 2019
15 Spalding NJCAA Division II Men's Basketball Coach of
16 the Year; and

17 WHEREAS, Kirkwood finished its season with a 31-4
18 record and the third national championship in its
19 basketball program history (1998, 2016, 2019); NOW
20 THEREFORE,

21 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
22 recognizes and congratulates the Kirkwood Community
23 College basketball team for its outstanding basketball
24 season this year, including its championship victory at
25 the 2019 National Junior College Athletic Association
26 Division II national basketball tournament.